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Dear Sir:

TELEPHONIC EXAMINER INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Applicants thanks Examiner England for the Telephonic Examiner Interview on March 23, 2005. The interview participants were Examiner David E. England and Applicants' attorney Patrick G. Billig. In the interview Mr. Billig explained where the "independent reliable transport services" language in independent claims 1 and 29 is clearly supported in the specification and drawings and recited specific passages to Examiner England. Examiner England agree that the specification and drawings clarified the claim language.

In addition, Examiner England and Mr. Billig discussed suggested amendments to the claims and interpretation of claim language based on the specification and drawings to distinguish the claim language from the cited references. Examiner England and Mr. Billig discussed that including the original limitations of dependent claim 2 into independent claim I and original limitations of dependent claim 31 into independent claim 29 further clarifies and distinguishes the independent claims from the cited references.